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1. A response has been filed on October 17, 2004.
2. The reply filed on October 17, 2004 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of following reasons.

Since the period for reply set forth in the prior Office action has expired, this application will become abandoned unless applicant corrects the deficiency and obtains an extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136(a).

The date on which the petition under 37 CFR 1.136(a) and the appropriate extension fee have been filed is the date for purposes of determining the period of extension and the corresponding amount of the fee. In no case may an applicant reply outside the SIX (6) MONTH statutory period or obtain an extension for more than FIVE (5) MONTHS beyond the date for reply set forth in an Office action. A fully responsive reply must be timely filed to avoid abandonment of this application.

(a) Applicants' observation that could be no undue burden for search of prior art for new claims 14-19 is not acceptable. Claims 14-19 are representative of an invention, which is different from that of claims 1-6 and also that of claims 7-13.

(b) Claims 7-13 have already been cancelled by the applicants in their amendment filed on January 10, 2002.

(c) A statement that claims related to one invention are sufficiently related to those related another invention does not reduce the extra burden for search.

3. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to U. K. Rajguru whose telephone number is (571) 272-

1077. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday from 9:30 am to 6:00 pm.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, James J Seidleck can be reached on (571) 272-1078. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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